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Filing Date: Title: "Process for Manufacturing Morpholino-Nucleotides, and Use Thereof for the Analysis of and Labelling

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Encl0	sed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
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	Small entity status is hereby claimed.
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$\to\$ \$\$385.00 (2801) \$\to\$ \$\$770.00 (1801) \$ fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
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	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examination, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.